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NOFORN COUNTRY Czechoslovakia/USSR/Rumania REPORT **SUBJECT** Atomic-Weapon Testing and 25X1 DATE DISTR. 18 May 1955 Exercise Areas NO. OF PAGES DATE OF INFO. REQUIREMENT 25X1 REFERENCES PLACE ACQUIRED 25X1 DATE ACQUIRED This is UNEVALUATED Information

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there are three areas in, or near,

Czechoslovakia where tests and exercises with nuclear weapons are baing
carried out. The first area is in eastern Slovakia, south of the Dukla 25X1

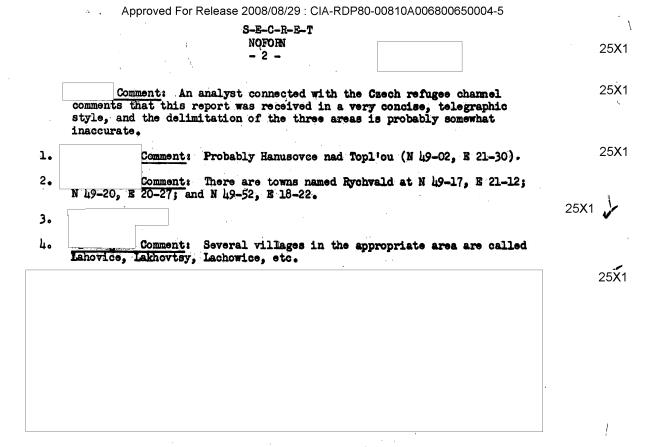
Gap, east of Bardejov (N 49-17, E 21-19) and north of the Sovarske

Mountains, extending as far as the Laborec River. It includes the hamlets
of Ladomirova (N 49-20, E 21-38), Medzilaborce (N 49-16, E 21-55), Hanusovice,
and Koskovce (N 49-03, E 21-58). The Communist authorities seem to assume
that the existence of this testing range is known to Western intelligence and
any activities with nuclear weapons
in this area would be cover activities intended to divert attention from
the other proving grounds.

- 2. In the second area tests and exercises are being conducted which are to remain secret. It extends to the east of the High Tatras range, from the Hron River to the Poppad River. Villages affected by this are Stara Eubovna (N 49=18, E 20=42), Blasov (N 49=09, E 20=45), Terna (N 49=07, E 21=14), Rychvald², and Tulcik (N 49=05, E 21=18). It seems probable that major exercises are to be held there this year.³
- 3. The third area is predominantly in the Carpatho-Ukraine. It lies on both sides of the Uz River, north of the city of Uzhgorod (N 48-38, E 22-16) and probably extends into former Polish territory. Communities principally involved are Velikiye Beresny (Velke Berezne) (N 48-54, E 22-27) and Turka (N 49-08, E 23-02). It also iscludes the area around Brustury (N 48-18, E 24-53), Camara near Sighet (N 47-55, E 23-53) (in Rumania), and Lahovice4 on former Polish territory.

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